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NITED STATES GOVERNMENT MemorandumDIRECTOR, FBI (65-68530)TO DATE: AUG 1 3 1970 APPROPRIATE AGENCIES SAC. WFO (134-5437) SUBTECT: **IST-105** (00:WFO) Enclosed herewith are five copies for the Bureau. one for New York, of LHM captioned "KIM GEORGIYEVICH Austla KRUPNOV; ESPIONAGE - RUSSIA," reporting the recollection of SAMMY concerning this subject as obtained during many interviews since December, 1967. 4. G.B. AG interviews since December, 1967. B. APPROX 1917.02 1919 The LHM has been classified "Secret" since it contains information from CIA which is so classified. Source T-1 is SAMMY. Since KRUPNOV has never been in this country and it is considered unlikely he will be assigned here the LHM has abeen submitted to the Bureau and New York in cap tioned case thus obviating the opening of new dead cases APPROPRIATE EXTENDED BY. 3 AND FIL REASON FOR FX THISION FCIM, II. 1-2.4.2... DATE OF REVIEW OR DECLASSIFICATION REC-765- 6853 10 AUG 14 1970 CIA HAS NO OBJECTION TO DECLARSIFICATION, AND/OR Bureau (Enc.5) RELEASE OF CIA INFORMATION New York (105-56721) IN THIS DOCUMENT 65-11395) (KRUPNOV) J.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan



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KIM GEORGIYEVICH KRUPNOV ESPIONAGE - RUSSIA

The information set forth hereinafter concerning captioned individual was obtained from a confidential source (T-1) who is a former Soviet intelligence officer during the course of numerous interviews. The bona fides of this source has not been established, however, he has furnished reliable information in the past.

The source advised he was well acquainted with Kim Krupnov and had worked with him from 1962 to 1964 in the Seventh Department (Tourist) of the Second Chief Directorate (SCD) of KGB. Source described subject as being about fortyfive years of age at this time. He said Krupnov was well educated and had studied and completed a course in economics at some Soviet Institute, name not recalled. After entering KGB the subject completed a five year correspondence course in the Higher School of KGB and received a degree in law. T-1 also recalled that Krupnov was working in 1962 or 1963 on a masters degree and source believed his thesis was on the subject of tourists. Source advised Krupnov is married and has one son by the name of Andrey. His wife, Vera, was employed outside of KGB and worked in a clerical Source stated when Vera Krupnov was a teenager she had lived in territory occupied by the German Army and observed that in earlier days such as the 1940's this would have precluded Krupnov from marrying her and remaining in KGB. (X)

Source identified one Mikhail Fedorovich Cherkasov as a diplomat in the Soviet Ministry of Foreign Affairs and remarked that this individual was a relative of Major Kincies

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visitor in the Soviet Union. She was well known to KGB from her work in 1960 or 1961 with a ballet group from Leningrad. Source explained that a female artist from the ballet troup mentioned above had received a letter proposing defection and had reported it to the security officer of the group who in turn reported his supposition that the approach was perpetrated by Natalie Bienstock. Source said he had gone to Geneva, Switzerland, on March 14, 1962, as security officer with a Soviet delegation. Upon his return in June 1962, he learned that Krupnov and Anatoliy Kovalenko, Deputy Chief, Seventh Department, SCD, had approached Bienstock and Source said Bienstock was suspected of having been an agent of FBI in New York but she was not accused by KGB and she made no admissions of any such agency to KGB.

Source mentioned an interesting item concerning Harvey Lee Oswald, assassinator of President John F. Kennedy, Source stated in 1962 (actually 1963) Oswald applied at Mexico City, Mexico, for a Soviet visa in order to return to Russia. The matter was reported to Vladimir D. Chelnokov. Chief, Seventh Department, SCD, who stated the department and the Second Chief Directorate had no interest in Oswald, however, heminstructed the source to call the KGB, Belorussia, and obtain a summary of the file on Oswald. Source said this file wa file was opened in 1960 by Kim G. Krupnov, Senior Case Officer, Eirst Section, Seventh Department, who thereafter sents it to KGB headquarters at Minsk with instructions to watch 0swald. Source said he received the summary in due course but by this time the President had been assassinated by Oswald and there was an order from General Oleg Gribanov to bring the Oswald file to Moscow immediately by military plane. Source stated this was done and the file was carefully examined by him along with Krupnov and Vitali Dera. It was ascertained there was no record of any approach having been made to Oswald or of any conversations of KGB with Oswald. control : tradt.

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